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SUBJECT: UNIVERSITY SPY RING CASE: FOUR MORE APPELLATE COURT
VERDICTS

REF: SEOUL 7061 AND PREVIOUS

1. ON SEPTEMBER 14, SEOUL APPELLATE COURT ISSUED VERDICTS ON
APPEALS OF FOUR MORE DEFENDANTS IN UNIVERSITY SPY RING CASE
(SEE REFTELS).

2. COURT CONFIRMED DEATH SENTENCE FOR KIM CHOL-HYUN.

3. COURT REDUCED SENTENCES AS FOLLOWS: KIM MYONG-SU FROM LIFE
TO TEN YEARS IMPRISONMENT AND LOSS OF CIVIL RIGHTS; CHON PYONG-
SAENG FROM TEN YEARS TO FIVE YEARS; NA SO-HYUN FROM FIVE
YEARS TO TWO YEARS.

4. ALL DEFENDANTS HAVE RIGHT TO APPEAL TO SUPREME COURT.

5. COMMENT: IN SIXTEEN APPEAL DECISIONS ON THIS CASE COURT HAS
CONFIRMED ORIGINAL SENTENCES EIGHT TIMES AND REDUCED PENALTIES
EIGHT TIMES. DECISIONS APPARENTLY ARE STILL PENDING FOR THREE
MORE DEFENDANTS.

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